

ON A DOUBLE SERIES OF CHAN AND ONG

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Abstract. An arithmetic identity is used to prove a relation satisfied by the double series $\sum_{m,n=-\infty}^{\infty} q^{m^2+mn+2n^2}$. As an application an explicit formula is given for the number of representations of the positive integer n by the form $x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_3x_4 + 2x_4^2 + x_5^2 + x_5x_6 + 2x_6^2 + x_7^2 + x_7x_8 + 2x_8^2$.

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1. Introduction. Let \mathbb{N} , \mathbb{N}_0 , \mathbb{Z} , \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{C} denote the sets of positive integers, nonnegative integers, integers, real numbers, complex numbers, respectively. For $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we define

$$\sigma_m(n) := \sum_{\substack{d \in \mathbb{N} \\ d|n}} d^m, \quad (1.1)$$

where d runs through the positive integers dividing n . We also set $\sigma(n) = \sigma_1(n) = \sum_{d|n} d$ and $d(n) = \sigma_0(n) = \sum_{d|n} 1$. If $n \notin \mathbb{N}$, we set $\sigma_m(n) = 0$. The Bernoulli numbers $B_0 = 1$, $B_1 = -\frac{1}{2}$, $B_2 = \frac{1}{6}$, $B_3 = 0$, $B_4 = -\frac{1}{30}, \dots$ are defined by

$$\frac{x}{e^x - 1} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} B_n \frac{x^n}{n!}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad |x| < 2\pi. \quad (1.2)$$

The Eisenstein series $E_k(q)$ ($k \in \mathbb{N}$) is defined by

$$E_k(q) := 1 - \frac{4k}{B_{2k}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{2k-1}(n)q^n, \quad q \in \mathbb{C}, \quad |q| < 1. \quad (1.3)$$

We set

$$L(q) := E_1(q) = 1 - 24 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma(n)q^n. \quad (1.4)$$

In this paper we use a recent elementary arithmetic identity due to Huard, Ou, Spearman and Williams [3] to prove in Section 5 the following result, after some preliminary results are proved in Sections 2, 3 and 4.

Theorem 1.1. *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Set $n = 7^\alpha N$, where $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0$, $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\gcd(N, 7) = 1$. Then the number of $(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ such that*

$$n = x^2 + xy + 2y^2 + z^2 + zt + 2t^2$$

is

$$4\sigma(n) - 28\sigma\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) = 4\sigma(N) = 4 \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ 7 \nmid d}} d.$$

In 1999 H. H. Chan and Y. L. Ong [2] introduced the two-dimensional theta series

$$S(q) := \sum_{m,n=-\infty}^{\infty} q^{m^2+mn+2n^2}, \quad q \in \mathbb{C}, \quad |q| < 1. \tag{1.5}$$

They proved a result equivalent to the following identity [2, Remark 3, p. 1742].

Theorem 1.2. $S^2(q) = \frac{7}{6}L(q^7) - \frac{1}{6}L(q).$

This identity is also equivalent to the one stated by Ramanujan as entry 5 of his second notebook [10] and first proved by Berndt [1, p. 467, entry 5(i)]. Both Berndt and Chan and Ong used modular equations of degree 7 in their proofs of Theorem 1.2. We show in Section 6 that Theorem 1.2 is a simple consequence of Theorem 1.1 and thus can be viewed as an elementary identity.

Klein and Fricke in their book [6, p. 400] gave an analytic proof of the following theorem.

Theorem 1.3. *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the number of $(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ such that*

$$4n = x^2 + y^2 + 7z^2 + 7t^2, \quad x \equiv z \pmod{2}$$

is

$$4 \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ 7 \nmid d}} d.$$

We show in Section 7 that Theorem 1.3 is also an elementary consequence of Theorem 1.1, thus providing an elementary proof of Theorem 1.3. The elementary proof of Theorem 1.3 given by Humbert [4] is restricted to odd n .

Next, making use of a result, which was proved recently by Lemire and Williams [8, Lemma 4.6, p. 113] in order to evaluate the convolution sum

$$\sum_{\substack{m \in \mathbb{N} \\ 1 \leq m < \frac{n}{7}}} \sigma(m)\sigma(n - 7m),$$

in conjunction with Theorem 1.2, we prove in Section 8 the following result.

Theorem 1.4. *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the number of $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6, x_7, x_8) \in \mathbb{Z}^8$ such that*

$$n = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_3x_4 + 2x_4^2 + x_5^2 + x_5x_6 + 2x_6^2 + x_7^2 + x_7x_8 + 2x_8^2$$

is given by

$$\frac{24}{5}\sigma_3(n) + \frac{1176}{5}\sigma_3\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) + \frac{16}{5}c_7(n),$$

where the $c_7(n)$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$) are integers defined by

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_7(n)q^n = q \left(\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^{16} (1 - q^{7n})^8 + 13q \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^{12} (1 - q^{7n})^{12} + 49q^2 \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^8 (1 - q^{7n})^{16} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}. \tag{1.6}$$

This result should be compared with that of Kachakhidze [5].

Finally, we make use of a classical identity of Jacobi, which is given for example in [7, Corollary 6, p. 37], to prove the following formula for $c_7(n)$ ($n \in \mathbb{N}$) in Section 9.

Theorem 1.5. *For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} c_7(n) = & \sum_{\substack{(r,s) \in \mathbb{N}_0^2 \\ \frac{r(r+1)}{2} + 7\frac{s(s+1)}{2} = n-1}} (-1)^{r+s} (2r+1)(2s+1) \\ & + 2 \sum_{\substack{(r,s,t) \in \mathbb{N}_0^2 \times \mathbb{N} \\ \frac{r(r+1)}{2} + 7\frac{s(s+1)}{2} + t = n-1}} (-1)^{r+s} (2r+1)(2s+1) \sum_{\substack{d \in \mathbb{N} \\ d|t}} \left(\frac{-7}{d} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Here

$$\left(\frac{-7}{d} \right) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } d \equiv 1, 2, 4 \pmod{7}, \\ -1, & \text{if } d \equiv 3, 5, 6 \pmod{7}, \\ 0, & \text{if } d \equiv 0 \pmod{7}, \end{cases}$$

is the Legendre–Jacobi–Kronecker symbol for discriminant -7 .

2. Some properties of $F_k(n)$. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ we define

$$F_k(n) := \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } k|n, \\ 0, & \text{if } k \nmid n. \end{cases} \tag{2.1}$$

Let $a \in \mathbb{Z}$. Denote the gcd of k and a by (k, a) . Clearly

$$F_k(an) = F_{k/(k,a)}(n). \tag{2.2}$$

For $x \in \mathbb{R}$ we denote the greatest integer less than or equal to x by $[x]$. The following results are easily proved:

$$\sum_{d|n} F_k(d) = d \left(\frac{n}{k} \right); \tag{2.3}$$

$$\sum_{d|n} dF_k(d) = k\sigma \left(\frac{n}{k} \right); \tag{2.4}$$

$$\sum_{d|n} \frac{n}{d} F_k(d) = \sigma \left(\frac{n}{k} \right); \tag{2.5}$$

$$\sum_{1 \leq l \leq m} F_k(l) = \left\lfloor \frac{m}{k} \right\rfloor; \tag{2.6}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq m \\ 2|l}} F_k(l) = \begin{cases} \left\lfloor \frac{m}{k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2|k, \\ \left\lfloor \frac{m}{2k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2 \nmid k; \end{cases} \tag{2.7}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq m \\ 2 \nmid l}} F_k(l) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 2|k, \\ \left\lfloor \frac{m+k}{2k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2 \nmid k; \end{cases} \tag{2.8}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{d|n \\ 2|d}} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq d \\ 2|l}} F_k(l) = \begin{cases} \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{2d}{k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2|k, \\ \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{d}{k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2 \nmid k; \end{cases} \tag{2.9}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{d|n \\ 2|d}} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq d \\ 2 \nmid l}} F_k(l) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 2|k, \\ \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{2d+k}{2k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2 \nmid k; \end{cases} \tag{2.10}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{d|n \\ 2 \nmid d}} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq d \\ 2|l}} F_k(l) = \begin{cases} \sum_{d|n} \left\lfloor \frac{d}{k} \right\rfloor - \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{2d}{k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2|k, \\ \sum_{d|n} \left\lfloor \frac{d}{2k} \right\rfloor - \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{d}{k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2 \nmid k; \end{cases} \tag{2.11}$$

$$\sum_{\substack{d|n \\ 2 \nmid d}} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq d \\ 2 \nmid l}} F_k(l) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 2|k, \\ \sum_{d|n} \left\lfloor \frac{d+k}{2k} \right\rfloor - \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{2d+k}{2k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2 \nmid k. \end{cases} \tag{2.12}$$

Adding (2.9) and (2.12) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{d|n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq d \\ l \equiv d \pmod{2}}} F_k(l) \\ &= \begin{cases} \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{2d}{k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2|k, \\ \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{d}{k} \right\rfloor + \sum_{d|n} \left\lfloor \frac{d+k}{2k} \right\rfloor - \sum_{d|n/2} \left\lfloor \frac{2d+k}{2k} \right\rfloor, & \text{if } 2 \nmid k. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

3. An identity of Huard, Ou, Spearman and Williams. Using nothing more than the rearrangement of terms in finite sums, Huard, Ou, Spearman and Williams [3] proved the following elementary arithmetic formula.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $F : \mathbb{Z}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be such that*

$$F(a, b, x, y) - F(x, y, a, b) = F(-a, -b, x, y) - F(x, y, -a, -b)$$

for all $(a, b, x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$. Then, for $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F(a, b, x, -y) - F(a, -b, x, y) + F(a, a - b, x + y, y) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - F(a, a + b, y - x, y) + F(b - a, b, x, x + y) - F(a + b, b, x, x - y) \right) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{d \in \mathbb{N} \\ d|n}} \sum_{x=1}^{d-1} \left(F(0, n/d, x, d) + F(n/d, 0, d, x) + F(n/d, n/d, d - x, -x) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - F(x, x - d, n/d, n/d) - F(x, d, 0, n/d) - F(d, x, n/d, 0) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Taking $F(a, b, x, y) = f(b)$ in Theorem 3.1, where $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is an even function, we obtain

Corollary 3.1. *Let $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an even function. Then for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(f(a - b) - f(a + b) \right) \\ &= f(0)(\sigma(n) - d(n)) + \sum_{d|n} f(d) - \sum_{d|n} df(d) + 2 \sum_{d|n} \frac{n}{d} f(d) - 2 \sum_{d|n} \sum_{1 \leq l \leq d} f(l). \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 3.1 was stated but not proved by Liouville in [9]. Replacing n by $2n$ in Theorem 3.1, and choosing $F(a, b, x, y) = F_2(a)f(b)F_2(y)$, where $f : \mathbb{Z}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is even, we obtain

Corollary 3.2. *Let $f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be an even function. Then for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(f(2a - b) - f(2a + b) \right) \\ &= f(0) \left(\frac{1}{2} \sigma(n) - \frac{1}{2} d(n) - \frac{1}{2} d \left(\frac{n}{2} \right) \right) \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} f(d) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} df(d) + 2 \sum_{d|n} \frac{n}{d} f(d) \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} f(2d) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} \frac{n}{d} f(2d) - \sum_{d|n} \sum_{1 \leq l \leq 2d} f(l) \end{aligned}$$

$$- \sum_{d|n} \sum_{\substack{1 \leq l \leq d \\ l \equiv d \pmod{2}}} f(l).$$

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Taking $f(x) = F_k(x)$ ($x \in \mathbb{Z}$) in Corollary 3.1 and appealing to (2.3), (2.4), (2.5) and (2.6), we obtain

Theorem 3.2. *Let $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_k(a-b) - F_k(a+b) \right) \\ &= \sigma(n) - (k-2)\sigma\left(\frac{n}{k}\right) - d(n) + d\left(\frac{n}{k}\right) - 2 \sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{d}{k} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, taking $f(x) = F_k(x)$ ($x \in \mathbb{Z}$) in Corollary 3.2, and appealing to (2.2), (2.3), (2.4), (2.5), (2.6) and (2.13), we obtain

Theorem 3.3. *Let $k, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then if k is odd we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} (F_k(2a-b) - F_k(2a+b)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\sigma(n) + \frac{(5-k)}{2}\sigma\left(\frac{n}{k}\right) - \frac{1}{2}d(n) - \frac{1}{2}d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + d\left(\frac{n}{k}\right) \\ & \quad - \sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{2d}{k} \right] - \sum_{d|n/2} \left[\frac{d}{k} \right] - \sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{d+k}{2k} \right] + \sum_{d|n/2} \left[\frac{2d+k}{2k} \right] \end{aligned}$$

and if k is even

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} (F_k(2a-b) - F_k(2a+b)) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}\sigma(n) + \frac{(4-k)}{2}\sigma\left(\frac{n}{k}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\sigma\left(\frac{n}{k/2}\right) - \frac{1}{2}d(n) - \frac{1}{2}d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2}d\left(\frac{n}{k}\right) \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{2}d\left(\frac{n}{k/2}\right) - \sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{2d}{k} \right] - \sum_{d|n/2} \left[\frac{2d}{k} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

4. Evaluation of some finite sums. Our task in this section is to give the values of the sums $\sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{d}{k} \right]$, $\sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{2d}{k} \right]$, $\sum_{d|n/2} \left[\frac{d}{k} \right]$, $\sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{d+k}{2k} \right]$ and $\sum_{d|n/2} \left[\frac{2d+k}{2k} \right]$ occurring in Theorems 3.2 and 3.3 in the special case where $k = 7$.

For $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ and $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ we define

$$d_{a,m}(n) := \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \equiv a \pmod{m}}} 1, \tag{4.1}$$

so that

$$\sum_{a=0}^{m-1} d_{a,m}(n) = d(n). \tag{4.2}$$

In particular we set

$$d_i := d_{i,7}(n), \quad i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, \tag{4.3}$$

and

$$e_i := d_{i,14}(n), \quad i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13. \tag{4.4}$$

Clearly,

$$d_i = e_i + e_{i+7}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. \tag{4.5}$$

Also,

$$d_0 = d_{0,7}(n) = \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ d \equiv 0 \pmod{7}}} 1 = \sum_{d|n/7} 1 = d\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) \tag{4.6}$$

and, similarly,

$$e_0 = d\left(\frac{n}{14}\right). \tag{4.7}$$

Thus

$$e_7 = d_0 - e_0 = d\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) - d\left(\frac{n}{14}\right). \tag{4.8}$$

We need the following results, all of which are simple to prove.

$$d(n) = e_0 + e_1 + e_2 + \dots + e_{13}. \tag{4.9}$$

$$d\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = e_0 + e_2 + e_4 + \dots + e_{12}. \tag{4.10}$$

$$d\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) = e_0 + e_7. \tag{4.11}$$

$$d_{i,7}\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = e_{2i}, \quad i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, 6. \tag{4.12}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{d}{7} \right] &= \frac{1}{7} \sigma(n) - \frac{1}{7} (e_1 + 2e_2 + 3e_3 + 4e_4 + 5e_5 + 6e_6 \\ &\quad + e_8 + 2e_9 + 3e_{10} + 4e_{11} + 5e_{12} + 6e_{13}). \end{aligned} \tag{4.13}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{2d}{7} \right] &= \frac{2}{7} \sigma(n) - \frac{1}{7} (2e_1 + 4e_2 + 6e_3 + e_4 + 3e_5 + 5e_6 \\ &\quad + 2e_8 + 4e_9 + 6e_{10} + e_{11} + 3e_{12} + 5e_{13}). \end{aligned} \tag{4.14}$$

$$\sum_{d|n} \left[\frac{d+7}{14} \right] = \frac{1}{14} \sigma(n) - \frac{1}{14} (e_1 + 2e_2 + 3e_3 + 4e_4 + 5e_5 + 6e_6 - 7e_7 - 6e_8 - 5e_9 - 4e_{10} - 3e_{11} - 2e_{12} - e_{13}). \quad (4.15)$$

$$\sum_{d|n/2} \left[\frac{d}{7} \right] = \frac{1}{7} \sigma \left(\frac{n}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{7} (e_2 + 2e_4 + 3e_6 + 4e_8 + 5e_{10} + 6e_{12}). \quad (4.16)$$

$$\sum_{d|n/2} \left[\frac{2d+7}{14} \right] = \frac{1}{7} \sigma \left(\frac{n}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{7} (e_2 + 2e_4 + 3e_6 - 3e_8 - 2e_{10} - e_{12}). \quad (4.17)$$

We are now in a position to prove the three theorems that we will need in the proof of Theorem 1.1 in Section 5.

Theorem 4.1. *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_7(a-b) - F_7(a+b) \right) \\ = \frac{5}{7} \sigma(n) - 5 \sigma \left(\frac{n}{7} \right) - \frac{5}{7} d_1 - \frac{3}{7} d_2 - \frac{1}{7} d_3 + \frac{1}{7} d_4 + \frac{3}{7} d_5 + \frac{5}{7} d_6. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. This result follows by taking $k = 7$ in Theorem 3.2 and appealing to (4.5), (4.9), (4.11) and (4.13). \square

Theorem 4.2. *Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_7(2a-b) - F_7(2a+b) \right) \\ = \frac{1}{7} \sigma(n) - \sigma \left(\frac{n}{7} \right) - \frac{1}{7} d_1 - \frac{2}{7} d_2 + \frac{4}{7} d_3 - \frac{4}{7} d_4 + \frac{2}{7} d_5 + \frac{1}{7} d_6. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. This result follows by taking $k = 7$ in Theorem 3.3 and appealing to (4.5), (4.9), (4.10), (4.11), (4.14), (4.15), (4.16) and (4.17). \square

Theorem 4.3. *For all $a, b \in \mathbb{N}$*

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-7}{ab} \right) &= \left(F_7(a-b) - F_7(a+b) \right) + \left(F_7(a-2b) - F_7(a+2b) \right) \\ &\quad + \left(F_7(2a-b) - F_7(2a+b) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. If $a \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ or $b \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ both the left-hand side and right-hand side of the asserted formula are zero. Thus we may suppose that $a \not\equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ and $b \not\equiv 0 \pmod{7}$. Define $c \not\equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ by $a \equiv bc \pmod{7}$. Then the assertion of the theorem becomes

$$\left(\frac{-7}{c} \right) = \left(F_7(c-1) - F_7(c+1) \right) + \left(F_7(c-2) - F_7(c+2) \right)$$

$$+ \left(F_7(2c - 1) - F_7(2c + 1) \right).$$

This is easily checked for the six cases $c \equiv 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 \pmod{7}$. □

5. Proof of Theorem 1.1. For $m \in \mathbb{N}_0$ we let

$$r(m) = \text{number of } (x, y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2 \text{ such that } x^2 + xy + 2y^2 = m. \tag{5.1}$$

Clearly,

$$r(0) = 1. \tag{5.2}$$

For $n \in \mathbb{N}$ it is a classical result that

$$r(n) = 2 \sum_{d|n} \left(\frac{-7}{d} \right). \tag{5.3}$$

Thus

$$r(n) = 2d_1 + 2d_2 - 2d_3 + 2d_4 - 2d_5 - 2d_6. \tag{5.4}$$

The number of $(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4$ such that

$$n = x^2 + xy + 2y^2 + z^2 + zt + 2t^2$$

is (appealing to (5.2), (5.3), Theorem 4.3, Theorem 4.1, Theorem 4.2 and (5.4))

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\substack{(k,l) \in \mathbb{N}_0^2 \\ k+l=n}} r(k)r(l) &= 2r(n) + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} r(k)r(n-k) \\ &= 2r(n) + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left(2 \sum_{a|k} \left(\frac{-7}{a} \right) \right) \left(2 \sum_{b|n-k} \left(\frac{-7}{b} \right) \right) \\ &= 2r(n) + 4 \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(\frac{-7}{ab} \right) \\ &= 2r(n) + 4 \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_7(a-b) - F_7(a+b) \right) \\ &\quad + 4 \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_7(a-2b) - F_7(a+2b) \right) \\ &\quad + 4 \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_7(2a-b) - F_7(2a+b) \right) \\ &= 2r(n) + 4 \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_7(a-b) - F_7(a+b) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ 8 \sum_{\substack{(a,b,x,y) \in \mathbb{N}^4 \\ ax+by=n}} \left(F_7(2a-b) - F_7(2a+b) \right) \\
 &= 2r(n) + 4 \left(\frac{5}{7}\sigma(n) - 5\sigma\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) - \frac{5}{7}d_1 - \frac{3}{7}d_2 - \frac{1}{7}d_3 + \frac{1}{7}d_4 + \frac{3}{7}d_5 + \frac{5}{7}d_6 \right) \\
 &\quad + 8 \left(\frac{1}{7}\sigma(n) - \sigma\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) - \frac{1}{7}d_1 - \frac{2}{7}d_2 + \frac{4}{7}d_3 - \frac{4}{7}d_4 + \frac{2}{7}d_5 + \frac{1}{7}d_6 \right) \\
 &= 2r(n) + 4\sigma(n) - 28\sigma\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) - 4d_1 - 4d_2 + 4d_3 - 4d_4 + 4d_5 + 4d_6 \\
 &= 4\sigma(n) - 28\sigma\left(\frac{n}{7}\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1. □

6. Proof of Theorem 1.2. We have by (1.5), Theorem 1.1 and (1.4)

$$\begin{aligned}
 S^2(q) &= \sum_{x,y,z,t \in \mathbb{Z}} q^{x^2+xy+2y^2+z^2+zt+2t^2} \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(4\sigma(n) - 28\sigma\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) \right) q^n \\
 &= \frac{7}{6}L(q^7) - \frac{1}{6}L(q).
 \end{aligned}$$
□

7. Proof of Theorem 1.3. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Set

$$A(n) := \{(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid 4n = x^2 + y^2 + 7z^2 + 7t^2, x \equiv z \pmod{2}\} \tag{7.1}$$

and

$$B(n) := \{(x, y, z, t) \in \mathbb{Z}^4 \mid n = x^2 + xy + 2y^2 + z^2 + zt + 2t^2\}. \tag{7.2}$$

Let $(x, y, z, t) \in A(n)$. Then $4n = x^2 + y^2 + 7z^2 + 7t^2$ and $x \equiv z \pmod{2}$ so $\frac{x-z}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}$ and

$$y - t \equiv y^2 - t^2 \equiv y^2 + 7t^2 = 4n - x^2 - 7z^2 \equiv x - z \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$$

so $\frac{y-t}{2} \in \mathbb{Z}$. Further

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\left(\frac{x-z}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x-z}{2}\right)z + 2z^2 + \left(\frac{y-t}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y-t}{2}\right)t + 2t^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{4}(x^2 + 7z^2 + y^2 + 7t^2) = n
 \end{aligned}$$

so $\left(\frac{x-z}{2}, z, \frac{y-t}{2}, t\right) \in B(n)$. Thus we can define $\lambda : A(n) \rightarrow B(n)$ by

$$\lambda((x, y, z, t)) = \left(\frac{x-z}{2}, z, \frac{y-t}{2}, t\right).$$

Clearly, λ is injective. Let $(x_1, y_1, z_1, t_1) \in B(n)$. Set $x = 2x_1 + y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, $y = 2z_1 + t_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, $z = y_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$, $t = t_1 \in \mathbb{Z}$. Clearly, $x \equiv y_1 \equiv z \pmod{2}$. Also

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + y^2 + 7z^2 + 7t^2 &= (2x_1 + y_1)^2 + (2z_1 + t_1)^2 + 7y_1^2 + 7t_1^2 \\ &= 4(x_1^2 + x_1y_1 + 2y_1^2 + z_1^2 + z_1t_1 + 2t_1^2) = 4n. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $(x, y, z, t) \in A(n)$. Moreover

$$\lambda((x, y, z, t)) = \left(\frac{x - z}{2}, z, \frac{y - t}{2}, t \right) = (x_1, y_1, z_1, t_1)$$

so λ is surjective. Thus λ is a bijection and we have by Theorem 1.1

$$\text{card } A(n) = \text{card } B(n) = 4\sigma(n) - 28\sigma\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) = 4 \sum_{\substack{d|n \\ 7 \nmid d}} d$$

as asserted. □

8. Proof of Theorem 1.4. Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $N(n)$ denote the number of $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6, x_7, x_8) \in \mathbb{Z}^8$ such that

$$n = x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_3x_4 + 2x_4^2 + x_5^2 + x_5x_6 + 2x_6^2 + x_7^2 + x_7x_8 + 2x_8^2.$$

Then by Theorem 1.2 we have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(n)q^n = \left(\sum_{(x,y) \in \mathbb{Z}^2} q^{x^2+xy+2y^2} \right)^4 = S^4(q) = \frac{1}{36} \left(L(q) - 7L(q^7) \right)^2.$$

Appealing to [8, Lemma 4.6, p. 113] we obtain

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} N(n)q^n = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{24}{5}\sigma_3(n) + \frac{1176}{5}\sigma_3\left(\frac{n}{7}\right) + \frac{16}{5}c_7(n) \right) q^n.$$

Equating coefficients of q^n ($n \in \mathbb{N}$), we obtain the asserted result. □

9. Proof of Theorem 1.5. As in [8, equation (4.1), p. 112] we define

$$H = \left(\frac{A^7}{C} + 13qA^3C^3 + 49q^2\frac{C^7}{A} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}, \tag{9.1}$$

where

$$A := \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n), \quad C := \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{7n}). \tag{9.2}$$

From the proof of Theorem 1.4 and [8, Lemma 4.2, p. 112] we have

$$S^4(q) = \frac{1}{36} \left(L(q) - 7L(q^7) \right)^2 = H^4,$$

so that $S(q) = \omega(q)H(q)$, where $\omega(q)^4 = 1$. From (1.5) and (9.1) we find for $|q| < 1$ that $S(q) = 1 + 2q + 4q^2 + O(q^3)$ and $H = 1 + 2q + 4q^2 + O(q^3)$ so that $\omega(q) = 1$ and

$$H = S(q). \tag{9.3}$$

This also follows from [2, Lemma 2.2, p. 1737] (with a typo corrected). Next, by [8, Lemma 4.4, p. 112] (with a typo corrected) and (9.3) we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_7(n)q^n = qA^3C^3H = qA^3C^3S(q). \tag{9.4}$$

Now, by (1.5), (5.1), (5.2) and (5.3), we have

$$S(q) = \sum_{x,y=-\infty}^{\infty} q^{x^2+xy+2y^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} r(n)q^n = 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{d|n} \left(\frac{-7}{d}\right) q^n. \tag{9.5}$$

Hence, from (9.2), (9.4) and (9.5), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_7(n)q^n &= q \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^3 \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^{7n})^3 \\ &\times \left(1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{d|n} \left(\frac{-7}{d}\right) q^n \right). \end{aligned} \tag{9.6}$$

By Jacobi’s identity [7, Corollary 6, p. 37]

$$\prod_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - q^n)^3 = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r (2r + 1) q^{\frac{r(r+1)}{2}},$$

equation (9.6) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_7(n)q^{n-1} &= \left(\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r (2r + 1) q^{\frac{r(r+1)}{2}} \right) \left(\sum_{s=0}^{\infty} (-1)^s (2s + 1) q^{\frac{7s(s+1)}{2}} \right) \\ &+ 2 \left(\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} (-1)^r (2r + 1) q^{\frac{r(r+1)}{2}} \right) \left(\sum_{s=0}^{\infty} (-1)^s (2s + 1) q^{\frac{7s(s+1)}{2}} \right) \left(\sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \sum_{d|t} \left(\frac{-7}{d}\right) q^t \right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\substack{r,s=0 \\ \frac{r(r+1)}{2} + \frac{7s(s+1)}{2} = n-1}}^{\infty} (-1)^{r+s} (2r + 1)(2s + 1) \right) q^{n-1} \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{\substack{r,s=0 \\ \frac{r(r+1)}{2} + \frac{7s(s+1)}{2} + t = n-1}}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{r+s} (2r + 1)(2s + 1) \sum_{d|t} \left(\frac{-7}{d}\right) \right) q^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Equating coefficients of q^{n-1} ($n \in \mathbb{N}$) we obtain the asserted formula for $c_7(n)$. □

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